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ATHLETICS ARE IN THE BALANCE.

FINAL DECISION FEBRUARY 24

Students Must Decide Promptly—Only Four More Days for Dollar Contributions.

At a meeting of the Athletic Council, Thursday, February 13, it was decided to postpone the ultimate decision in regard to athletics until the next meeting of the Council, February 24. So one week remains to the students in which to express their opinion as to whether they do or do not want athletics in this University.

It has been felt by those in authority that this matter has not reached the students in all its seriousness. The general belief seems to be that this is only a method to raise money, and that athletics will continue just the same provided something is obtained from the student body. Such a feeling is prevalent throughout the University, is heard on every side, and naturally has resulted in more or less indifference on the part of the majority. The only objection is that it is entirely wrong.

The object of the Council in sending out letters to everyone, and in undertaking this campaign, was not to raise money, for the sake of the money itself, but to secure an expression on the part of the University, who are the ones concerned, as to their desire for athletics. Because of the usual slim attendance at all contests, base-ball, foot-ball, basket-ball and even the meet, the conclusion was evident that the University

had no interest in its teams, and had no desire to help their maintenance. Many of the Council, however, hesitated to agree to such a disparagement of George Washington. They maintained that this University was, assuredly, as broad-minded as the hundreds of other institutions of like kind; that the students have not yet become enmeshed in the mental rut, which sees nothing beyond the lesson at hand.

Thus the opportunity offered by the deficit was immediately seized upon. Here was the question: Are the students in the University interested enough in athletics to contribute each his dollar to a deficit incurred because of the non-attendance of these same students? And it remains for the students to answer.

On some few sides the argument has been made that our athletes have not deserved support. To the man who is a man no answer is necessary. He advances no such plea. It is only the weak ones, those who perpetually seek something for nothing, who have no push themselves and cannot see how others have it, who are willing to support a Yale or Princeton team, but who wait with sneer and discouragement till it arrives—it is only these that must be answered.

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To the Students' ball, of course.

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Friday, February 21.

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At the New Willard.

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HOW MUCH IS IT?

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IS IT WORTH THE MONEY?

Well, I should smile.

WHO GETS THE GRAFT?

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SHOULD I GO?

Yes, unless you are dead broke, a dead beat, or a dead one generally.

BUT I DON'T KNOW ANY GIRLS.

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Washington has built up an athletic standing through obstacles that would have dismayed other and stronger colleges. Within a few years George Washington has not only initiated athletics, but in such a manner as to hold two of their strongest rivals to drawn contests. One, Virginia, regarded as the equal of any team in the South, could do no better than a drawn battle in foot-ball. The recent game with Georgetown is too fresh in mind to comment upon. In basket-ball George Washington won the championship of the South in 1907, the first year bas-

ket-ball was instituted as a sport in the University. In track we have had and have such athletes as Lorando, one of the best distance runners in the East; Sterret, who won third place in the Inter-collegiate at Jamestown, in the pole vault, Fleming Gill and others, who have added fame to the University. Base-ball was no less a credit to the college, causing Georgetown, a team which defeated Yale and Harvard, to fight its hardest to win a victory. But it is not in fame won, or honors achieved, that athletics must rest. If the University has

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done any notable thing in athletics, then help it do more. If it has not, then there is all the more incentive to prove that this is a University with the same pluck, perseverance and courage as our opponents. It is only the quitter who cries enough at the first defeat. Our athletes, to a man, have no "quitting" blood in their veins. The question is: Has the University?

TEAM ON TRIP.

On Friday morning the basketball squad left for a trip of about ten days. Manager Biddle took with him Johnson, Marsh, Twyefort, Covell, Rutherford, and Rehr. An interesting schedule has been arranged including games with Western University of Pennsylvania, Westminster College at Wilmington, Dubois Basketball Team, Penn State, Tyrone Basketball Team, and Gettysburg.

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NEW MEMBER ELECTED.

At a meeting of the Athletic Council, Thursday evening, Dr. George Acker was elected alumni member to succeed Mr. Bruce Bielaski, resigned.

Beyond ratifying the election of Mr. Baer, as foot-ball manager, nothing was done. The questions of the future of athletics, and the awarding of the medals in the inter-departmental race were postponed until the next meeting of the Council, which is to take place Monday, February 24th.

STERRET WINS VAULT.

In the Federal games, held at Convention Hall Saturday, February 15th, Sterret, of George Washington, won the pole vault, clearing the bar at 10 feet, 9 inches. Brame, of the College, was one of the members of the winning relay against Baltimore City. In the All-Washington relay, which met Pennsylvania, three of the team were George Washington men, Fleming, Gill, and Wenderoth.

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DENTAL, 1910.

Melville P. Eslin, Editor.

Physiology! Let's endeavor to make the course as successful, if not more so, than Histology.

(February 8.) Seward: "Say, Sherfy, does my face look like yours?"

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We very greatly appreciate the kindness of Dr. Shute in continuing his lectures in anatomy. He has consented to meet the class twice a week for the purpose of giving quizzes and lectures and also to give some special demonstrations on the brain. Dr. Shute presents his subject in such a way as to make it clear and interesting, and these exercises will be very beneficial to us.

At a recent class meeting H. W. Jaeger was elected secretary of the class to take the place vacated by Mr. Boody.

Irmen (in Physiology): This frog must be a half brother to Croker.

Jaeger: Why, what makes you think so?

Irmen: He croaks.

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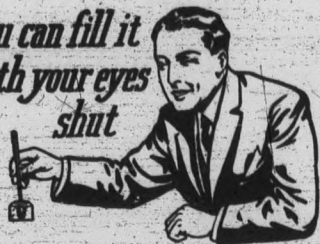
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MEDICAL CLASS, 1912.

EDWIN A. SWINGLE, Class Editor.

Prof.—Mr. Hales, give me the name of a new mouth wash, that you have just discovered.

Mr. Hales—Well, I don't know exactly its name, but it contained concentrated sulphuric acid and potassium bichromate.

Prof.—Mr. Hales, did you use any ammonia to neutralize the wash?

Mr. Hales (looking rather pale)—No, d— the chemicals, I was nearly dead.

The current issue of *The Engineering Magazine* contains an important article on "The Waste of Life in American Coal Mining," by Mr. Clarence Hall and Dr. Walter O. Snelling, both of whom are graduates and former instructors of the George Washington University. The subject treated in this article is attracting exceptional attention in technical circles on account of the four recent mine disasters in the United States which have caused the loss of over one thousand lives.

In the article referred to the authors review the present unsatisfactory coal-mining conditions in the United States, as compared with those in other countries, with special attention to the high death rate in this country per million tons of coal mined, and to the present need for information on the part of miners as to the proper use of explosives and safe mine conditions. They then summarize the usual causes of mine disasters, which, they state, are falls of mine roofs and of coal and explosions of fire-damp or of coal dust, such explosions being caused by ignition from the shots used in breaking out the coal or from naked lights used by miners. Means of preventing mine accidents are next considered, the most necessary being stated to be the establishing of a suitable explosive experiment station and the enforcement of proper legal regulations as to the character, storage and use of explosives. The article closes with an account of the restrictions in use in foreign countries and a statement of the views of the authors as to the steps which should be taken to improve the present conditions in the United States.

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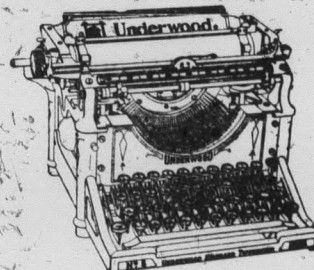
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 1908.

NOTICES.

Enosinian Debating Society, Thursday, February 20, in Room 26 at 8:30 p. m. Important business.

Y. M. C. A. Dinner, Central Y. M. C. A. building, Thursday, February 20, at 6:45. Tickets 50 cents at Hatchet office.

Students' Ball, Friday, February 21. Tickets from your Class President or at Hatchet office.

Columbian Debating Society, Friday, February 21, in Jurisprudence Hall at 8:15.

Needham Debating Society, Friday, February 21, in University Hall at 8:30.

Mid-winter convocation of the University, Saturday, February 22 at 10 o'clock in the Belasco Theatre. Senator Burkett, of Nebraska, will speak.

Classical Club, Tuesday, February 25, in the Woman's building.

Athletic Council, Monday, February 24, in Dean Phillips' office, 8 p. m.

Trials for Pennsylvania Debate, Jurisprudence Hall, Monday, February 24, at 7:30.

MANDOLIN CLUB.

Those interested in the formation of a Mandolin Club are requested to hand in their names to the editor of The Hatchet at once.

FRENCH CLUB.

The French Club held a well-attended and unusually pleasant meeting on the evening of Wednesday, February 12, in Administration building, at which the President, Prof. Henning, presided. Miss Taylor read abstracts of two articles which recently appeared in the *Reveu Bleue*, one on the American idea of the Frenchman as contrasted with the real Frenchman, and the other on the French opinion of American fiction. Miss Conner discussed in an interesting and complete manner the Cathedral of Notre Dame de Paris, reviewing the history and architecture of this famous structure. Miss Conner's talk was supplemented by Professor Henning, who spoke in his usual happy vein, and by many excellent photographs of Notre Dame, which were loaned for the occasion by the Library of Congress. Professor Baulig gave a talk in French, discussing the topography of Paris and its environs, and pointing out the geographical reasons for the location and present arrangement of the city.

Among those present were Professor Henning, Professor Baulig, Mrs. Vance, Miss Conner, Miss Saunders, Miss McAvoy, Miss Hartmann, Miss Taylor, Miss Watkins, Miss Adams, Miss Hathaway, Professor Perry, of the Washington School for Boys, and Mr. Brown.

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DEBATE WITH PENNSYLVANIA.

The debate with the University of Pennsylvania is now practically assured. Strictly speaking, it will not be a 'varsity debate, inasmuch as the Zelosophic Society will represent Pennsylvania and the Student Congress will represent George Washington. The debate will take place in Washington about May 1. The first trials come on the evening of February 25 at 8 p. m., in West Hall. It is now practically certain that this is the only intercollegiate debate which will take place in Washington this year. It is understood that Pennsylvania possesses an exceptional quantity of excellent debating material; but so does George Washington, and the contest should be a hot one.

It appears that the University authorities are unwilling to undertake any financial responsibility in connection with the debate with West Virginia University, although the debate with that University had practically been arranged for. Under the circumstances it is likely that all thought of a debate with West Virginia will have to be abandoned.

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SOUTHERN CONFERENCE OF DELTA TAU DELTA.

The eighteenth Southern Conference of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity was held in Washington Friday and Saturday, February 14th and 15th, the Conference headquarters being the Gamma Eta Chapter House, 1700 Fifteenth Street Northwest.

Friday morning and afternoon were devoted to routine business meetings, presided over by Jose M. Selden, President of the Division. An enjoyable smoker was held in the evening, at which the guests were entertained by an impromptu program.

Saturday morning was again devoted to business. In the afternoon the fifty or more members in attendance at the Conference were received at the White House, after which the delegates were carried about the city on a Seeing Washington trip.

The banquet was held Saturday evening at the Arlington. Enjoyable speeches were made by Champ Clark, Judge Atkinson, Mr. Sturgiss, Joseph Leicester Atkins, who acted as toastmaster; Colonel Curtis, the President of the Fraternity; Senator Hopkins, Mr. Mann, and Jose M. Selden.

The delegates from this Chapter were C. Louis Allen and Loren H. Call.

Another case of legal proceeding to secure reinstatement in a university has appeared, this time at Wisconsin. H. C. Duke, of Madison, has brought mandamus proceedings against the Board of Regents and President Van Hise, to compel them to allow him to finish his course or to give good reason for his expulsion.

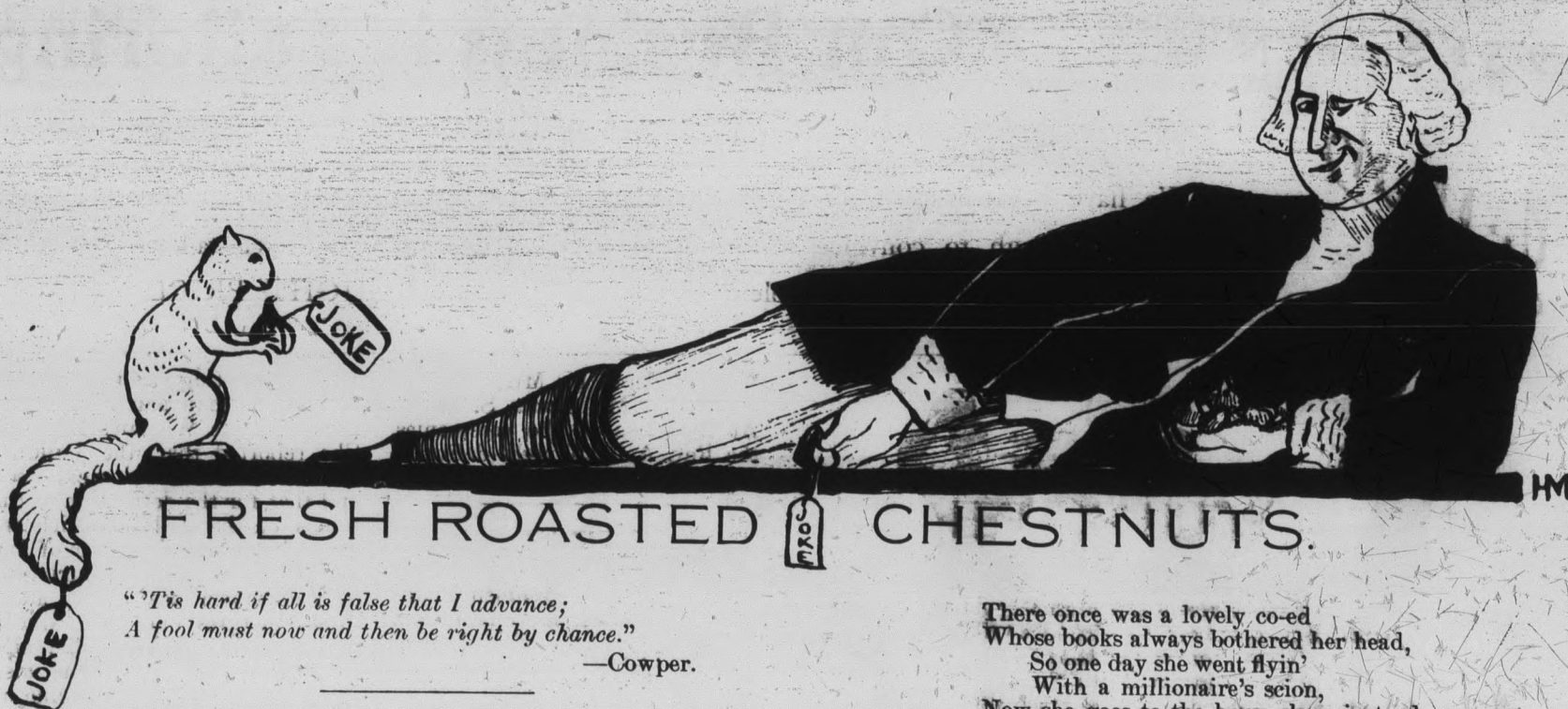
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"Tis hard if all is false that I advance;
A fool must now and then be right by chance."

—Cowper.

Commissioner Macfarland has recommended to Congress the passage of a bill placing a tax upon all cats in the District of Columbia. A cartoon upon this subject inspired one of The Hatchet joke-smiths, and he purled as follows:

BARBARA FRIETCHIE.

(Revised)

Up from his desk, with an angry frown,
Commissioner Macfarland, of Washington town,
Vowed that Congress must pass a bill
That cats no more should roam at will.
For all around him tom-cats yowled,
And tabbies on the woodsheds prowled,
Throughout the city, up and down,
From Congress Heights to Tenallytown.
So forty men, well armed with nets,
Set forth in search of wandering pets.
Up rose old Barbara Frietchie then,
Bowed with her fourscore years and ten;
Bravest of all in Washington town,
She took her cat the men chased round;
In her attic window her pet she set
To show one heart was dauntless yet.
Up the street came the hated tread,
Commissioner Macfarland riding ahead.
At once the plagued pet was spied;
"To work, my men," the leader cried.
But tabby was sly, and slipped away,
As Barbara still delights to say.
So she leaned far out on the window sill
And shouted forth with a royal will:
"Shoot, if you must, this old gray head,
But spare my tabby cat," she said.
A shade of sadness, a blush of shame
Over the face of the leader came;
"Women and cats," he bitterly swore,
"Are beyond the reach of human law."
So all night long, in every street,
Sounds the patter of feline feet.
In every alley there is a fight
Beneath the silent moon's pale light.
Barbara Frietchie's work is o'er,
The Commissioner fights the cats no more!

—Berry.

WE APOLOGIZE.

"Yes," said the nice old lady, "William has gone to the Agricultural College at Cornell. You see, he intends to study Farmacy."

"Well, well," remarked the absent-minded professor, as he stood knee-deep in the bath tub, "what in the world did I get in here for, anyhow?"

—The Shears.

Lord Rosebery was once asked "What is memory?" He replied slowly and sadly, "Memory is the feeling that steals over us when we listen to the original stories of our friends."

There once was a lovely co-ed
Whose books always bothered her head,
So one day she went flyin'
With a millionaire's scion,
Now she goes to the horse show instead.

—J. E. L.

The parlor sofa holds the twain,
Miranda and her lovesick swain,
Headshe;
But, hark! A step upon the stair,
And papa found them sitting there,
He and she.

—The Shears.

Soph.—"So the Dean's oldest daughter's to be married at last.
Who is the happy man?"
Junior—"The Dean."

It was Commencement Day at a well-known girls' seminary, and the father of one of the young women came to attend the graduation exercises. He was presented to the principal, who said, "I congratulate you, sir, upon your extremely large and affectionate family."

"Large and affectionate?" he stammered, looking very much surprised.

"Yes, indeed," said the principal. "No less than twelve of your daughter's brothers have called frequently, during the winter to take her driving and sleighing, while your eldest son escorted her to the theater at least twice a week. Unusually nice brothers they are."

—Lifted.

Little Johnny Smith, says one of our correspondents, recited one stanza of the "Psalm of Life," to the delight of his proud mamma and amid the plaudits of the company:

"Liza, Grape men allry mindus
Weaken maka Liza Blime,
Andy Parting Lee B. Hindus
Footbrin Johnny Sands a time!

The Princeton Tiger recently emitted the following howl:

Jig—"I just heard a hair-raising story in the smoking car."

Mrs. Jig—"Mercy! About ghosts?"

Jig—"No, about a rabbit farm."

Senior girls
Are free from care;
This year's leap year;
Boys, beware.

Frederick Starr, the University of Chicago professor of anthropology, who recently lectured in this city, described at a dinner a wonderful native boy whom he had met in his African travels.

"This boy," said Professor Starr, "often saw me reading, and the process at once interested and perplexed him. Through an interpreter one day he questioned me about it.

"Reading again, sir?" he asked.

"Yes, my boy," said I.

"Well, sir," said he, "I have often seen you reading. You read books, magazines, large newspapers. Now there is one thing I want to ask you: Which part is it you read—the black or the white?"

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COLUMBIAN COLLEGE

It should be a matter of regret to the students of the College that the response to the appeal of the Athletic Council for the benefit of the deficit has not been as generous in this department of the University as in some of the others. The students of the College are especially concerned in the welfare of the athletics of the University. The College is the oldest department of the University and the department which should show the greatest amount of University spirit. The professional schools of the University, especially the College of Pharmacy and the School of Dentistry, are making an excellent response, and if the students of the College do not rise to the occasion, the honor of being the banner class of the University will not belong to the College. Class presidents and members of the committees appointed for the purpose of collecting subscriptions for the deficit should bestir themselves and see to it that the College is well up in the front when the final report is made to the Athletic Council.

The fates or the weather seemed to have it in for the Enosinian Society on Friday evening, February 14. A regular meeting with a regular debate was scheduled for that evening in Room 26 of the University building, but so few of

the would-be orators and politicians responded to the roll-call that the secretary found that no quorum was present and the attempted meeting was adjourned. It is intended if possible to hold a meeting of the society on next Thursday evening, February 20, and every member of the society is urged to do his utmost to be on hand. This year has not been as prosperous in the Enosinian Society as was last year. Conflicts with the class dances and the other Friday night functions of the College have played havoc with the attendance and as a result interest in this important part of the work of the College has declined. To remedy this condition of affairs it has been proposed to hold the meetings on Thursday night and thus avoid the conflicts of engagements. This matter will be brought up on Thursday night and every member of the society is urged to be present and help in the work of resuscitation.

Last evening, Tuesday, February 18, University Hall was the scene of an event of considerable interest to the University. The occasion was the presentation of a picture of Frances E. Willard to the University by the "Y" branch of The Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Mrs. Don P. Blaine, president of District "Y," presided at the presentation. The invocation was made by the Rev. M. Ross Fishburn, D. D., and Senator Robert S. Owen delivered an address. The presentation was made by Miss Anna A. Gordon, vice-president of the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Dean Wilbur accepted the gift in an interesting speech. During the course of the presentation ceremonies, solos

were rendered by Mrs. Otis D. Swett and Mr. James S. Hicks. At the close of the ceremonies, the Rev. A. K. Wright delivered the benediction.

FRESHMEN.

At a meeting last Tuesday evening, the College Freshmen unanimously adopted a constitution. This document prescribes the conditions which a student must meet in order to be entitled to vote on matters concerning the class. Hereafter, no student, whether attending day or evening sessions, is to have the right to vote until he has paid his class dues.

In order that those in the night class might be given an opportunity to meet this financial requirement, an evening student, Mr. S. R. Truesdell, was elected assistant secretary with power to collect dues.

It was also decided that a picture of the class should be inserted in the Cherry Tree. The date on which this picture is to be taken will be announced later.

The constitutional committee was as follows: Messrs. Craig, Muhleman, Lasier and Marsh.

THE COLUMBIAN WOMEN OF THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY.

At the regular meeting of the Columbian Women, held in the Woman's building of the University on Monday afternoon, February 10, particular attention was laid on the social phase of the organization by an innovation which met with the heartiest approval from all, namely, the serving of tea from four o'clock until the hour for the business meeting, which it was decided should be, from this time, 4:15. Mrs. Earnest presided at the tea table, making a charming hostess, and others of the members will act in that capacity at the succeeding meetings.

The first report heard at the

business meeting was that of Mrs. Earnest, as chairman of the Committee on the Woman's Building. She reported that the building was now full and paying expenses, and that for the decoration of the rooms, on the walls of which are already hanging a number of fine oils and water-colors, contributed by well-known local artists, additional pictures had been kindly loaned by Mr. Miller. She also spoke of the successful opening of the new Arts and Crafts School of the University, which is located in the Woman's building, and which has started very promisingly with students in all departments.

Miss McIlhenny, chairman of the Committee on the College Women's Club, reported that a reception would be tendered Prof. King, President of Oberlin College, on the afternoon of the 12th at the Friends' School, at which time Prof. King would deliver a lecture on the "Fine Art of Living." She announced also, that invitations would be sent to the members of Columbian Women to the reception under the auspices of the Fine Arts Society, which would be held on the evening of the 14th, at the Coreoran, and at which time will occur the private view of the exhibition of tapestries to be held here.

Miss Ellis announced that on the evening of Tuesday, the 18th instant, the District Y. W. C. T. U. would present to the University a picture of the great temperance leader, Frances E. Willard, and invited the members of the organization to be present.

Two letters were read from officers of the Department of Superintendents of the National Education Association, thanking the Columbian Women for their offer to extend the hospitality of the Women's Building to the ladies who will attend the meeting of that organization in this city on

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the 25th, 26th and 27th of this month.

The meeting closed with the announcement that the annual tea to the President, faculties and students of the University would be given from 4 to 6 on the afternoon of the 22d.

ARCHITECTURE.

Mr. B. B. Adams has recently entered the courses of study of this division and we wish him good luck. Welcome is extended to all the activities of our school life. He and the other new students are pushing their work along with speed and good progress.

The examination week may have been wearisome, of course, but now that this period is past and the marks are known, or about to be, we have passed from doubt to decision. We mean that, if there is failure, well directed, decisive action now is capable of redeeming the past semester and the same action will insure success in the next lap. We pass to the final exams, with more or less familiarity with the subjects, which means a greater confidence.

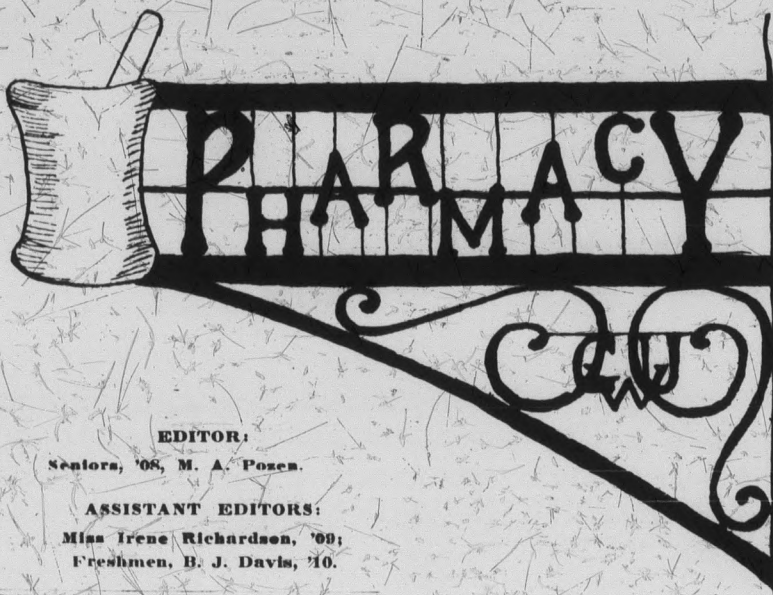
Work is now being done at the draughting boards on the current programs of the Beaux Arts, namely: "A Private Stable" and "A Triumphant Arch." A large majority of the men who took these exercises have their preliminary sketches decided and there will be a good showing. The current plate of the freshmen is the Corinthian order, and they may be assured that the remaining subjects will appeal with an interest that should bespeak their earnest consideration.

The notice of the Students' Ball, at the New Willard, Friday evening, February 21st, is on our Bulletin. A mass meeting to arouse enthusiasm was held last Friday. Architects! Let's give this event the best support possible! It is for us, students, one and all, and you know the object is most worthy—the benefit of the Hospital. Sociability is most prominent in all our activities, and here is an opportunity to get together again in a good time. Come on!

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We may not be first-class athletes, in fact we know we are not, as the late indoor meet has sadly shown. But there may be other lines of activity in which we can more creditably take part, and one of these is the minstrel show to be given in the spring.

We are sure that even among our small number of students there are a few who have, and many who think they possess, ability in this line of work.

It is to all such that we appeal. All candidates will be given a fair trial, as we understand it, and there is surely no harm in trying.

The cause is a good one, as it is for the benefit of athletics that the minstrel show is to be given.

So come, all ye Dockstaders, make up your minds to do your share and signify your intention to help the cause along by writing your name on a slip of paper and dropping it into a Hatchet box.

SENIORS '08

Some of the most important and interesting lectures of our entire course are now being delivered by Prof. Kalusowski. The subject matter is alkaloids. As the alkaloidal principles of drugs are coming into more general use every year and as they are the subject of more investigation than any other branch of Pharmaceutical Materia

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Prof. Kalusowski handles this important subject in a clear, concise and entertaining manner and gives us the benefit of his personal observations in addition to the cut and dried book knowledge.

Prof. Hillebrand, during a rather unsuccessful quiz, has been explaining (for about 15 minutes) the formation of coal deposits. After he has finished, Denning, to whom Prof. Hillebrand is to propound the next question, is heard to say: "Aw, keep it up a few minutes longer, Professor!"

Catch on to Timberlake's new lab, apron! What'll you have, hair cut or shave? Next!

What is that noise heard in pharmacy lab.? Why, that's only the Senior quartette agonizing.

Schulze is improving. He arrived twenty minutes before the close of the lecture this time. My, how long the lecture must have seemed to him.

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JUNIORS '09

The members of the Junior Class express their deepest sympathy to Mr. Frank Robey on the recent death of his mother.

Mr. Payne: "Any solution through which an electric current passes is an 'electric light.'"

Since Mr. Tewksbury was made president, his presence has been conspicuous by his continual absence.

Great joy is being expressed by the Juniors because of the fact that most of the solid extracts are over with.

Most of members are investing in class pictures. What will the trap manufacturers do now?

FRESHMEN '10

Davis has a new way of destroying microbes; ask him what it is.

Prof. Hillebrand's lectures are getting very interesting. Nobody went to sleep during last lecture.

We have another "man" in our class. Pres. Lampman recently celebrated his twenty-first birthday. He will graduate during "skidoo" year.

We regret to note that Mr. Moyer has discontinued his course.

An item which will doubtless be of interest to many students is that J. Fred Gatchel, the College tailor, now at 1305 F street, is to move to a location much nearer the University. He has purchased property at 920 14th street, opposite Franklin Park, and after extensive improvements this shop will be opened with an entirely new stock of goods.

In the meantime, in preparation for the removal, Mr. Gatchel has decided to make big reductions on all the goods in his establishment. This sale is to be the most extensive of the kind he has ever conducted. It will include all goods in the house, plain and fancy, both spring and winter weights.

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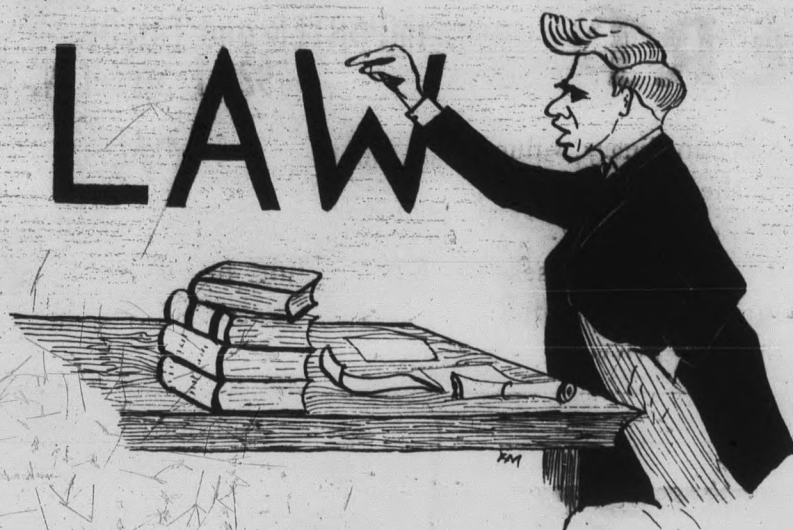
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The Senior Class, those grim old warriors, each of whom has passed, somewhat scarred perhaps, through the three years' strife, gathered on the steps of "the old church 'cross th' way" on last Tuesday evening and had their pictures "took". Someone remembered that Dean Vance was in the Junior picture last year, and the accommodating Dean was again pressed into service, acting once more as the mascot of the occasion, as it were. Beside him sat George McClellan, president of the class, while "to the right of them" and "to the left of them" sat (not stood) the (not cannon) aforesaid warriors. The picture man pulled several dozen little black sheets of something or other out of his camera and put them all back again, the boys surreptitiously "slicked" their hair, the Dean felt for his necktie, everybody smiled, and then, and not until then, did the picture-man dare to squeeze the bulb which was to add another masterpiece—not of photographic workmanship necessarily, but of subject matter—to the pictorial archives of fair Washington.

A battalion of new young law students, called freshmen, occupied the same steps of the old church one or two evenings following, and the knowing ones said they looked "real sweet." Just let them wait until they see the result of their senior picture two or three years hence, and then let them note what a saddening effect has the little law course fixed up and annually strengthened and made more secure in the joints by our Dean.

AN OPEN ARGUMENT.

"You put that window up, you skunk!"

"I'll keep the window down!"

And thus they have it,—plink for plunk,

These men of wide renown.

They waste their time and tongue and brain,

Whatever will they do?

I think a busted window pane

Might fix the thing. Don't you?

—R. L. H.

The Senior Class has once again the pleasureable opportunity, in their legal study, of sitting at the feet of a justice of the United States Supreme Court. Justice Brewer's course in International Law, or some certain phases of it, promises to be an excellent one. It is undoubtedly a great privilege for the students to come into contact with such great men and minds as they do in the first and last years of the school work. Both Justice Harlan and Brewer will be remembered by the law students all through their lives.

The University Congress held a most interesting debate Saturday night over "The Graduated Income Tax." Mr. Heinbeck, of Illinois, opened for the affirmative and declared that the income tax is the only fair method of apportioning the burden of government, according to the benefits that are derived. He declared that the present system fosters dishonesty.

Mr. Fravel, of Virginia, opening for the negative, declared that the scheme was not workable, for it would be impossible to find the amount of income of persons who

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desired to conceal the income. Real property tax was really the proper tax, as you always had it where you could get at it. Any tax, to be effective, must be upon something tangible.

Mr. Groves, of Missouri; Mr. Lewis, of New Hampshire, and Mr. Ellis, of Tennessee, each made short arguments in the general discussion of the bill.

Mr. Dunning, of Utah, closing for the negative, found his objection to the bill on the ground that there is no way to determine an income. He also declared that the income tax tended to encourage lack of thrift, because it placed a larger tax upon the larger income.

Mr. Sunderlin, of Nebraska, upon a few moments' notice, made a strong argument in favor of the tax, declaring that the present system is admittedly unjust, as persons of small property pay entirely out of proportion to the amount of property owned. He declared that he believed the Supreme Court would today hold an income tax constitutional.

Mr. Ellis, of Tennessee, was elected clerk to succeed Mr. Dunning, of Utah, who will wield the speaker's gavel for the next session. H. B. Durham, of Nebraska, has been speaker for the past session. Mr. Durham is a new man in the Congress, having come from Nebraska at the beginning of the school year. He is a member of the Third Year Law Class.

NEEDHAM DEBATING SOCIETY.

The regular meeting of the Needham Debating Society held Friday evening was one of unusual importance for two reasons.

The first was the preliminary trials for places on the society team to contest the second intersociety debate with the Columbian society. The men selected were Messrs. Pearce, Nyemaster and Jensen, with Ambrose as alternate. The men are all able debaters and the society feels confident that they can trust them to win the debate.

The Columbian Society came in a body and informed the Needham that they had decided to take the negative side of the question. The question is, "Resolved That the Immigration Laws of the United States Should be so Amended as to Exclude all Persons Over the Age of Fifteen Years Unable to Read and Write." This debate will be held in March,

and promises to be a lively and interesting one.

Notices had been given to all members of the Needham that the election of officers for the next term would be held at this meeting, this for the reason that it was thought best to have the names of the officers who would be at the head of the society next fall appear in the annual for this year. These officers take their positions sometime in the early part of March. The election was duly held, the following being elected:

John Jensen, President.

H. H. Pearce, Vice President.

P. J. Altizer, Secretary.

I. W. Phillips, Treasurer.

E. O. Horner, Sergeant at Arms.

H. J. Atwell and Geo. L. Ambrose, members of the Executive Committee.

Ray Nyemaster, member Debating Council.

C. A. Sunderlin, Critic. The retiring president is also critic officio.

The question for debate Friday evening, February 21st, is, "Resolved, That the President of the United States Should be Elected for Six Years and Be Ineligible for Re-election." Messrs. Christensen and Rutherford, speakers for the affirmative, and Messrs. Betts and Bruniga, for the negative.

The athletic field at Leland Stanford has seats for 14,000.

A Spanish society was formed recently at the University of Illinois, composed of students from Spain and the Latin-American States of Central and South America. All the meetings are to be conducted in Spanish.

Amherst College has just received more than 1,000 volumes of Chinese literature, the gift of Sir Chentung Liang Cheng, former Chinese Minister to the United States. Sir Cheng is a graduate of Phillips Andover.

Donald Robertson, the noted English actor who appeared recently at the Walker opera house, will coach the University Dramatic Club, at Chicago, for its production of "The Night of the Burning Pestle."

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ADDRESS BY PRESIDENT NEEDHAM.

The following address, recently delivered by President Needham at University Assembly, should be of interest to all of the students:

Reason—The Master Workman.

1. Reason is spoken of as an intellectual faculty, as we speak of memory and imagination. It seems rather to be several faculties acting collectively. It includes all the logical faculties that are useful and subservient in distinguishing truth and falsehood. As in speaking of the senses we include hearing, tasting, smelling, feeling, so reason includes observation, comprehension, assimilation, judgment, volition—in short, all the processes necessary to the discernment, comprehension, and enforcement of truth. Excepting sense, imagination and memory and the faculty of intuitively perceiving—whatever that may be—reason comprehends all other intellectual faculties.

Its objects may be defined generally as (1) the discovering and finding out facts or truth by weighing evidence and balancing proofs; (2) the process of analysis; the regular and methodical disposition of facts and truth in a clear and fit order; making them available and making their connection and force plainly and easily perceived; (3) the process of perceiving the connection between many facts and truths; fixing their true relations with each other; showing their interdependence, and thus giving them the interest and force of harmonized and organized ideas; and (4) the process of drawing right conclusions from the perception, analysis and relation of facts and truth.

It will be observed, therefore, from these definitions, that reason takes raw materials and works them up into finished products. It is a process of refining, relating and combining ideas, thereby giving intellectual wealth and mental power to the individual. It substitutes certainty for doubt; the positive for the negative; constancy for vacillation; the complex for the simple, and through these processes and results gives strength and aim and poise to life. It constitutes the ability to do constructive work and bring things to pass. It gives skill to use the shafts of truth with accuracy and telling effect both for offence and defence. It distinguishes man from the brute creation, and makes real distinctions between men.

2. Reasoning is not mere mental existence, nor is it simply intellectual activity. Many deceive themselves by believing that they are thinking or exercising the reasoning powers when they are simply indulging the imagination, or the fancy, or are dreaming. Storing the memory with facts is

only one of the processes of reasoning. One may have a vivid imagination and very poor reasoning ability. One's memory may be filled with rich raw material, or ideas refined by other people, and yet he may have no ability to use these effectively. Like some people who are land poor, they have plenty of acres but no current funds. They can walk abroad but have no home to live in.

The process of reasoning involves two distinct activities: First, the acquirement of ideas, facts or truths through sensory processes. The idea of colors comes to us through the eye; of sounds through the ear; and so through the whole range of sensory processes ideas are acquired. It is the method of sense observation and report; the gathering of ideas from the external world through all the various and multitudinous media which surround us and with which we are each endowed. This constitutes our first volitional acquirement of concepts. The second is the process of reflection—turning the mind inward upon itself, considering and analyzing that which sense has brought into the mind. It is deliberate contemplation of considerate meditation upon and systematic study of these sense ideas, their qualities, and their relations to each other; the bringing of these ideas or parts of them into relation with other ideas and truths and thus creating, or compounding, new ideas and new relations. This process of refining and compounding goes on so long as there remains opportunity for constructive work, and through the process there come to the mind ideas of a new variety. The first efforts of reflection are comparatively crude and consist in simple arrangement and classification, cutting away the rough surfaces, but as the process goes on it becomes more refined, more delicate, and the results are of greater worth. Reflection therefore consists in compounding and re-compounding existing ideas and mak-

ing new ones, taking the simple elements and creating complex and more valuable truth.

Reason, therefore, consists in observation and reflection. It is a process of investigation, of study, of weighing evidence, experimenting, passing judgment and reaching conclusions. Unlike imagination, it takes real things and constructs, not an ideal, but real structures. Led by the imagination, it discovers new truths, new possibilities, new uses, new things. But unlike imagination, they are all constructed out of real truths, real facts and knowledge. They are not a picture, but a structure. They are not to be copied, but are to be used. They are not to be followed, but to be acted upon. They are the solid, imperishable things in life.

It is not possible in these few moments to trace the operation of the reasoning process or to consider all that enters into it. Thinking, doubting, questioning, believing, testing, knowing, willing, are all parts of the activities of the mind within the realm of reason, and it is through these that we obtain our knowledge—our intellectual wealth and power.

3. The largeness and power of this faculty, or combination of faculties, depend first upon the extent of our experiences. There cannot be much reflection without much food for reflection. "What can we reason but from what we know?" The artist must have seen a landscape before he can paint one. The refining process must have something to work upon, and while reflection, and intuition, and other lofty faculties may bring to us very many, and to some the greater proportion of ideas, it must be conceded that the greatest source of most of the ideas we have rests in the first instance almost wholly upon our senses. The value of these observations depends largely, if not wholly, upon the accuracy of the observations. The eyes must be entirely opened. It will not do to "see men as trees walking." Facts must be clearly comprehended.

The premise must be sound or the argument will fall.

We must know things in all their parts as well as know them as a whole. This calls for close attention. While the reception of ideas into the understanding is said to be passive, it requires a firm exercise of the will to fix attention upon the object and be in a receptive mood. It requires discipline and training. I can conceive of no state requiring more self-control, finer mental equipment, than that of observing accurately and comprehending the communication of knowledge. It is true that many ideas come to us without effort, some come to us against our will. But we shall judge them worthy or unworthy, and if unworthy we need not use them, but may cast them aside as unfit materials.

The next important step is to analyze ideas; take them to pieces; resolve them into their elements; ascertain their constituent parts and their causes. Then comes the logical arrangement of them; a conception of their relations; a comparison of values and a knowledge of their possible uses. All this requires patience and unswerving loyalty to truth. Our ideas must be refined gold to pass current in the world of thought. The aim must always be to bring all our ideas into harmony and symmetry, maintaining proper proportions, for moral and intellectual excellence demands that

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there shall be agreement and unity in all our systems of thought.

4. The quickness of the mind in dealing with questions and things, called wit, depends very largely upon the ample store of ideas which are clearly understood; ideas that have been carefully comprehended, and through reflection have been refined and polished ready for service at any time. With this there must be a prompt memory, handing out the rich stores quickly as required for instant use. Nothing is more futile than the belief that wit creates things instantaneously. You cannot pump water out of a dry well nor fool the people long with mere promises to pay. The dull person, as a rule, is without intellectual capital. He has not gathered. He has failed to observe carefully, or he has given no reflection to the ideas which have come to him. He is intellectually poor, at least in ideas that people care for. The mind must not only be filled with knowledges, but all knowledge must be wrought upon; the real demand is for beaten gold. It is natural and easy to live, but very difficult to live well. This refinement, which is the glory of men and women, is the work of reason, and the exercise of this faculty is labor—hard, persistent, intensive labor. One cannot maintain mental effort constantly any more than he can bodily labor. There must be periods of rest and recreation. To work the mind when it is unfit is quite as bad for it and the quality of the product as it is to continue physical labor when the body is quite unable to respond to the demand. A few hours of well-directed, intensive mental effort is better than a day of indifferent effort. The iron must be at white heat to be properly moulded. Ideas are seen and comprehended easily in the white light of a clear and vigorous mind.

Our real business here is to add value and beauty to our existence by marking it deeply with labor. Not labor that makes the shoulders stoop, the eyes dull, the body prematurely old, and breaks the mind, but that mental action that springs from a love for the refined and beautiful. The barbarian lived for food, and drink, and

sleep. In the classic period they lived for physical perfection. But we are beholding a better way. We know that the joy of life comes from the kind of mind we carry with us through the years. We see only the beauty that the mind within us comprehends. We feel only the security and serenity that the mind assures us of. The knowledges of the mind make our whole world for us. If we are superstitious and full of fear it is because the mind has not learned the laws and motions of nature. The things unknown seem strange and fearful and take on horrid shapes, but when we know them and understand their nature, these same creatures become tame and household companions. This poise of the soul is the result of discipline and labor. It is the mastery of natural sciences: the possession of a knowledge of life: of a mind containing the world in miniature.

One of the charming things in the Old Hebrew religion is the love of fine work, which is seen in the temple and tabernacle service and in the buildings and equipments for worship. The details are as rich as though the Hebrews had been reared in the times and under the instruction of Angelo, or had spent their time in the art galleries of the present century. The colored curtains, wires of gold wrought into cloth, dyed skins, engraved cups and basins and ornaments of beaten gold delighted the eye. This love for the beautiful not only found expression in many ways, but it always stood for much conscientious labor.

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"Salomy Jane," the new play in which Miss Eleanor Robson created such a success in New York last season, playing almost a solid year to crowded houses at the Liberty Theater, will have its first presentment here at the New National early in March. Miss Robson plays the title role, with Mr. H. B. Warner as "the man," and the other members of the original New York cast in their original roles.

Chase's next week will attempt to monopolize amusement lovers' attention with a polite vaudeville program containing Staley's Transformation, the celebrated Willie Pantzer Troupe, Gus Edwards' Blonde Typewriters, with Johnnie Stanley, Harry Linton, and Anita Lawrence; Clifford and Burke, the Zanettos, Pauline Cook and May Clinton, and the motion pictures, "Francesca di Rimini." The advance sale of reserved seats opens to-morrow.

Leo Ditrichstein, whose capacity as author and adapter has been shown in "Are You a Mason?" "The White Horse Tavern," "Before and After," and "Vivian's

Papas," has a new comedy to offer in "Bluffs," which will be presented at the Columbia Theater a week from to-morrow night, Mr. Ditrichstein being the star, as well as the author. In common with his other plays, this one makes its appeal on the strength of complications. A part of prominence is in the hands of Fred Bond. The company includes also the Misses Kenyon Bishop, Fola La Follette, and Alison Skipworth, Alfred Kappeler (a Washington product), and Eugene Redding. "Bluffs" is to be played for the first time to-morrow night in Plainfield, N. J. A New York engagement is to follow in a few weeks.

A splendid dramatic attraction will be offered at the Belasco Theater next week, when Harrison Grey Fiske will present Mme. Bertha Kalich in "Marta of the Lowlands," considered Guimera's masterpiece, who wrote it especially for Maria Guerrero, the greatest actress in Spain. This play tells a story of universal interest and which is true to human nature everywhere. It is a play of fine sentiment, moving pathos, poetic thought, and dramatic climax. In the character of Marta, Mme. Kalich has the greatest opportunity of her career, a role which has established her as one of the greatest actresses of this decade. Catalonia, the scene of the play, is a very picturesque part of Spain, and Mr. Fiske has reproduced it pictorially and artistically. The capable supporting company includes such representative players as Henry Kolker, Hardee Kirkland, Robert McWade, Thomas F. Fallon, Henry Bascombe, Bertram Grassby, Mary Hughes, Genevieve Blinn, and Edith Taliaferro.

Charles Frohman's popular light comedienne, Miss Ethel Barrymore, is now underlined as coming to the National Theater next week. She is to appear in a col-

laborated work by Clyde Fitch and Cosmo Gordon Lennox, the play being entitled "Her Sister." The scenes of "Her Sister" are laid in England, but the action is supposed to take place in America. Briefly stated, the plot runs thus: There are two sisters, one frivolous and heedless, but honest and well meaning; the other, a plain,

matter-of-fact, sensible girl. The former, by her imprudence, becomes compromised and is the correspondent in a divorce case. The plain girl is Eleanor Alderson, and though her sister is not seen on the stage, Miss Barrymore makes her so real in her references to her, love for her, and her desire to shield her, that one expects

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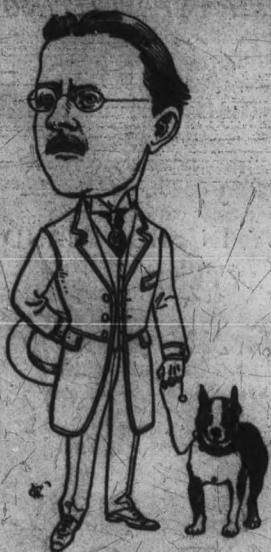
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the sister to appear at any minute. Eleanor is loved by Ernest Bickley and becomes a guest at his mother's house. There she meets Miss Minety, with whom she quarreled while telling her fortune. Miss Minety has secured a newspaper containing an account of the divorce case and a picture of the co-respondent, which unfortunately proved to be the picture of Eleanor. Her affianced demands an explanation, but to shield and save her sister she refuses to tell the truth, and he renounces her. Arnold Cullingsworth believes in Eleanor, takes up the cudgels for her, and ultimately proves that she was innocent and had sacrificed herself on the altar of a sister's love. George Saunders was engaged to marry the mythical sister, not knowing her history. When this is told he is greatly grieved and retires with bowed head, though it is intimated he will forgive her.

The number of foreign students at Columbia last year was 4.27 per cent of the whole registration, as compared with 1.56 per cent in 1901-02. Great Britain continues to send the largest number from Europe, while Japan contributes the largest number of Asiatic students.

Robt. B. Burch, '09, of Cincinnati, was unanimously elected captain of the Yale football team for 1908. Burch has played end on the team for the past two years. He is 21 years old, 5 feet 10 1/2 inches tall, and weighs 160 pounds.

All the big northern colleges are hard at work training for the championship inter-collegiate swimming meets. There will be dual meets between different colleges from February 15 to April 4, the results of which will determine the inter-collegiate swimming championship.

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DELTA TAU DELTA.

The conference of the Southern Division of Delta Tau Delta will be held in this city Friday and Saturday of this week. The headquarters of the conference will be the Gamma Eta Chapter House, 1700 15th St. N. W.

Business meetings will be held Friday and Saturday mornings and afternoons. A Seeing Washington automobile ride has been planned for the delegates for Friday afternoon and a smoker will be held Friday night. On Saturday afternoon the delegates will be received at the White House and the conference will conclude Saturday night with a banquet.

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